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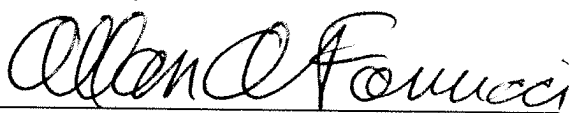
Claims 1, 3-13 and 15-19, as amended, appear in this application for the Examiner's review and consideration.

The indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, 14 and 16 is noted with appreciation. In response, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 2, which is now canceled. Claims 3 and 5 have been written in independent form. Claim 13 has been amended to incorporate the features of claim 14, which is now canceled. Finally, claim 12 has been amended to recite the same features as original claim 2, namely, that the light sensor is moved simultaneously with the scanning stepwise by an identical number of times relative to the light radiating scene in at least one direction of movement, whereby the total distance covered during the movement of the light sensor corresponds to the extent of the area covered by the cell in the direction of movement or to the extent of the area covered by the cell in the direction of movement plus a distance defined by or to a neighbor cell in the direction of movement, divided by the number of scanning times in order to define a number of subareas. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claim 12 is now allowable.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated. Should the Examiner not agree, then a personal or telephonic interview is respectfully requested to discuss any remaining issues and expedite the eventual allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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